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• An Abstract not to exceed 150 words in length, commencing on a separate sheet (37 CFR 1.72(b)).

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.72(b), Applicants enclose a supplemental abstract of less than

150 words. Please replace this document with that originally filed on 27 December 2000.

Respectfully submitted,

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We are transmitting herewith the attached:

Certified copy of a Japanese application, Serial No. 11-375142, filed 28 December 1999, the right of priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119

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The Applicants enclose herewith one certified copy of a Japanese application, Serial No. 11-375142, filed 28 December 1999, the right of priority of which is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

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